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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Edwin Charles Weldon et al.

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FOR: METHODS OF ROUGHENING  
A CERAMIC SURFACE

§ GROUP ART UNIT: 1753  
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§ EXAMINER: R. G. McDonald  
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Date: August 25, 2004

**AMENDMENT "B" UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116  
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Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
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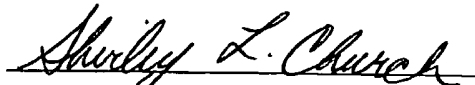
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